

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE MYSORE IMPERIAL SERVICE TROOPS WAR FUND.

A meeting of the Managing Committee of the Mysore Imperial Service Troops War Fund was held in the Imperial Service Lancers' Reading Room, Hebbal, at 8-30 A.M., on Monday the 18th March 1918. A number of recent recruits to the Mysore Imperial Service Lancers were seen to be on drill in the spacious grounds attached to the lines at the time the meeting was held. The hall was tastefully decorated. His Highness the Yuvaraja of Mysore, G.C.I.E., presided. Sirdar M. Kantaraj Urs, Honorary Secretary, presented the audited accounts of the Fund which were duly passed. He explained that the Fund had spent up to date about Rs. 6,500 in donations to families of deceased officers and men and in despatching comforts to the men in the Field. The balance at the credit of the Fund was about Rs. 57,000.

Dewan Bahadur J. S. Chakravarti proposed that Sirdar Bahadur Major Chamaraj Urs, who had lately returned from the front after a long period of distinguished Field Service be elected a member of the Committee of the Fund and also a member of the Managing Committee. The proposal was carried unanimously. A communication from Major C. L. Harbord was read in which that officer expressed his high appreciation of the valour and worth of the Mysore Imperial Service Lancers in the Field. In the course of this letter the officer observed "They (the Mysore Lancers) were often under heavy fire, but I did not see a single instance of shirking or alarm. In fact they acquitted themselves as old and tried soldiers should and made me proud to command them".

The Committee resolved to send another consignment of comforts in April 1918 to the Mysore Imperial Service Transport Corps in Mesopotamia and also to represent to the President of the Bangalore City Municipal Council, the desirability of considering favourably applications for building sites from men at the front or their families here. On the suggestion of Mr. M. A. Singrachar the rate of bonus payable to combatants permanently disabled or to the families of combatants killed in action was raised. After disposing of a few other routine matters, the meeting came to a close.

An abstract statement of accounts from the inception of the Fund to the end of February 1918, as certified to by the auditors is appended.

Receipts.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Public subscription	50,536	9	6
Interest on deposits in Bank...	3,274	9	0
Amount realised by holding Exhibitions, Wrestling matches, etc.	10,503	0	2
Total	64,314	2	8

Expenditure

Establishment	334	3	1
Donations to families of deceased officers	1,000	0	0
Comforts	5,476	8	9
Exhibitions, kusties, etc.	295	14	11
Contingencies	99	1	0
Advances to be adjusted	510	0	0
Total	7,715	11	9

Closing balance.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Fixed deposit	54,000	0	9
Current deposit	2,598	6	11
	56,598	6	11
Grand Total	64,314	2	8

M. KANTARAJ URS,
Honorary Secretary.